



THOMAS C. SOWERBY

Sowerby Manages Center

As manager of Del Amo Financial Center, Thomas C. Sowerby is responsible for all buildings, equipment, grounds, maintenance, security and safety.

Sowerby works closely with the leasing department to determine office layouts, partitioning, lighting, and other requirements for new tenants. He must also supervise the chief engineer, assistant engineer, maintenance mechanic, day porters and maids, garage personnel, gardeners, and the cleaning company supervisor to keep the multi-million dollar financial center operating at peak efficiency at all times.

Because he is liable to be anywhere in the vast building and parking complex, Sowerby wears a "beeper," an electronic gadget that attaches to the belt. When his secretary wants to find him, she pushes a button and the little device notifies him to call his office right away.

Sowerby, who joined Del Amo Properties Co. in May, 1966, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, and trained as a marine engineer under the Royal Navy's apprenticeship program. He came to Canada in 1951 and was employed for eight years as an engine mechanic by Orinda Engine Co., Ltd., in Malton, Ont.

He moved to California in 1960 and was hired by Pacific Semiconductors, Inc., Lawndale, as chief engineer. In 1964 he joined the David H. Murdock Development Co. to be building superintendent at Union Bank Square, Orange.

Sowerby resides in Redondo Beach.

List of Tenants Increases

Three banks, two national stock brokerage firms, and a savings and loan association are among the major tenants who have signed leases for offices in the Del Amo Financial Center.

Union Bank, United California Bank, and Bank of America will locate offices in the center. Union's new South Bay regional office is open, while United California Bank plans to open in October. Bank of America has not announced its opening.

Other major tenants include Western Federal Savings and Loan Association, first tenant to open in the center; E. F. Hutton & Co., Inc.; Bateman Eichler, Hill Richards, Inc.; and Marwick, Mitchell & Co.

The Advance Structures Division of Fansteel Metallurgical Corp., the Ford Motor Credit Co., and First American Title Insurance and Trust Co. also plan new offices in the center, as do Equitable, Travelers, and New York Life insurance companies.



Glass Goes On

With the 13-story Union Bank Tower topped out in March, workers turned to the task of installing the glass walls. At the same time, work was progressing on the five-story ring building.

Leasing Director Named

Stephen H. Dietrich has been appointed to the newly created post of leasing coordinator at the Del Amo Financial Center. Dietrich will report to Craig Ruth, marketing director of the center.

A member of the Del Amo Financial Center staff for the past 14 months, Dietrich holds a degree in business psychology from the University of California at Los Angeles. He earned his master's degree in business administration at Harvard University.

Dietrich is a native of Los Angeles. He lives at Marina del Rey.

Center Designed by Gruen

Del Amo Financial Center is the design product of Victor Gruen Associates, a firm respected throughout the world for its fresh, workable ideas for large real estate developments.

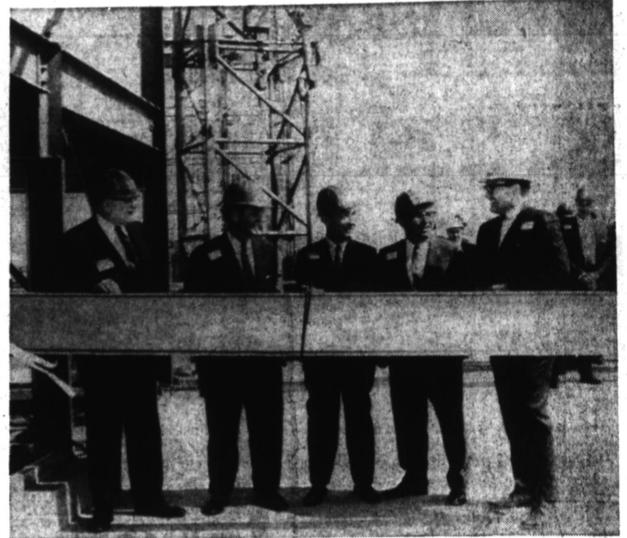
Past Gruen projects include a 2,400-unit high-rise apartment complex in Boston; Northland in Detroit, the country's first cluster regional shopping center; Southdale in Minneapolis, the first air conditioned enclosed mall; South Coast Plaza in Costa Mesa, and downtown revitalization plans for a dozen American cities including the Fort Worth plan, considered by many to be classic in the field of urban renewal.

Victor Gruen, a founder and president of the firm bearing his name, started in business when he emigrated to this country from Vienna in 1938. He now has six partners and employs approximately 250 architects, engineers, planners, and other personnel with offices in Los Angeles, Chicago, New York, Minneapolis, and Boston.

The firm has expanded its field from architecture to environmental design, its competence enriched by the addition of specialists in traffic engineering, government affairs, graphics and economics.

When Great Lakes Carbon Corp., parent company of Great Lakes Properties, purchased 6,800 acres on Palos Verdes Peninsula in 1953, it engaged Victor Gruen to prepare the master plan. This was one of the first large land holdings in the nation to be developed in accordance with an overall plan and is today considered an outstanding suburban residential area where property values have doubled and tripled in the last 10 years.

It was only natural for Great Lakes to turn to Gruen when the company and Guilford Glazer acquired 200 acres at Del Amo.



Last Beam in Place

Officials of Union Bank were joined by project officials for the placing of the last steel beam in place atop the 13-story Union Bank Tower last March 1. Pictured helping to put the beam in place are (from left) D. Loring Marlett, vice president and general manager of Great Lakes Properties, Inc.; John Heidt, regional vice president of Union Bank; Guilford Glazer, president of Guilford Glazer and Associates; Norman Nachreiner, executive vice president of Union Bank, and Roy Kite, western regional vice president of Henry C. Beck Co.

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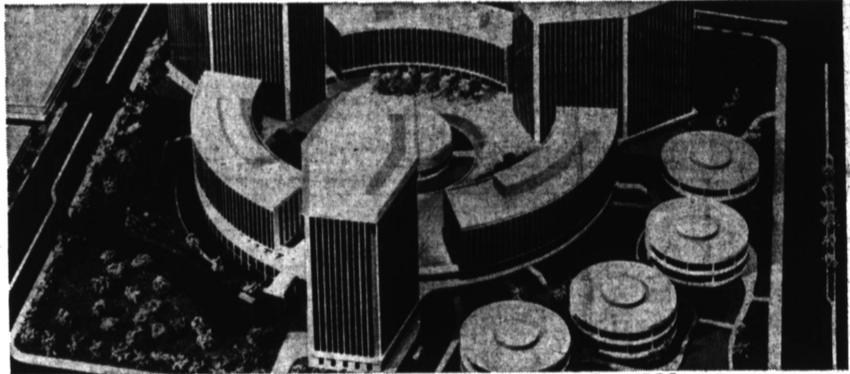
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Torrance is rapidly becoming the nucleus for industry and commerce in the burgeoning South Bay area of Southern California. One reason is the new Del Amo Financial Center, a 20-acre complex of buildings, soon to be the regional headquarters and offices for major banks, financial, industrial and business concerns.

There are other reasons why more than 60 companies have selected Torrance as a plant site in the past two years.

Torrance is just 10 minutes from the Los Angeles and Long Beach harbors. L.A. International Airport, with major freight facilities, is 15 minutes away. There is excellent service from rail and truck carriers, and four freeways lead into, adjoin or pass through the city.

As for labor, Torrance is Los Angeles County's third largest city, and the population of the South Bay area jumped from 308,000 in 1950 to 610,000 in 1965. More scientists and engineers live in

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